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Applicant : Mario Festag et al.
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LETTER

Hon. Commissioner for Patents,
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Sir:

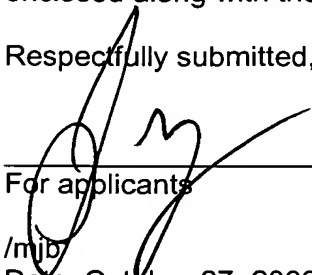
The above-mentioned new patent application was filed on September 5, 2003 without a signed oath or declaration, under the provision of 37 C.F.R. 1.53(f), and in a language other than English.

In accordance with the above-mentioned rule, enclosed herewith are the original signed declaration and certified English translation. A preliminary amendment is also enclosed.

The undersigned hereby states that the application filed in the Patent and Trademark Office is the application which the inventor(s) executed by signing the declaration. MPEP 602 (8th ed., Aug. 2001).

The fee required for the late filing of an oath or declaration in the amount of \$130.00 is enclosed along with the fee of \$130.00 for the late filing of a certified English translation.

Respectfully submitted,


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